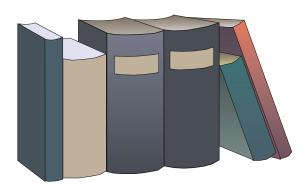
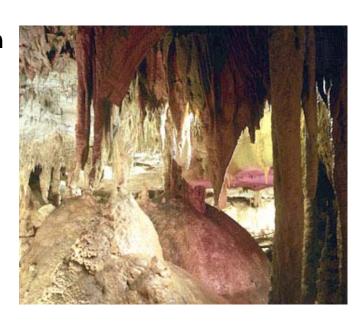


The number of patrons in Kentucky public libraries (17,769,379) exceeded attendance at Broadway plays by over five million people in 2006-2007 *





If the amount of books in Kentucky public library collections (8,601,945) were stacked side by side they would cover the entire length of Mammoth Cave, the world's largest cave system at 365 miles.



^{*} Source: World Almanac and Book of Facts 2008



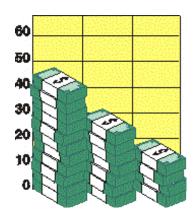
Home internet access reached 67.2% in 2007. * All Kentucky public libraries continue to provide free internet access.







The total salary of the top executive for Exxon and Wal-Mart in 2007 exceeded all Kentucky public library directors combined wages by nearly a million dollars. **



* Source: http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0908398.html

** Source: The Almanac of American Employers 2008, Plunkett Research, Ltd., Houston, 2008



Over 120,000 mint juleps were served at the 2007 Kentucky Derby, about one per hour of bookmobile service in Kentucky during the past fiscal year *





The number of KFC⊚ restaurants worldwide (over 11,000) approximated the number of groups using meeting rooms in Kentucky's public libraries (12,552). **



* Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mint_julep

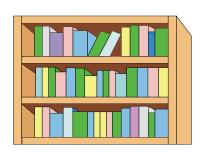
** Source: http://www.kfc.com/about



Nine times as many people entered Kentucky public libraries as attended men's and women's basketball and men's football games (2007 season) at UK, UL, KSU, EKU, WKU and Morehead State combined. *







* Source: www.ncaa.org

The cost per person for library material in Kentucky public libraries was \$3.95, roughly the same as a Big Mac[©] and fries.

